

BIG NORMAL SCHOOL STARTS BIGGEST YEAR

School opened this year at the Flagstaff Normal School with an enrollment exceeding all previous years. Up until the present date there are some 247 pupils attending, and each week one or two more are coming in to enter. All the dormitories are filled and work has begun on two new ones, an addition to the boys' and an entirely new one for the girls.

The girls' dormitory is being erected east of Morton hall and will have about 40 rooms in it. It will contain all the latest improvements and will add much to the beauty of the grounds surrounding the buildings.

Among the subjects taught is the commercial course. The enrollments are increasing each week and at present there are something like 12 pupils taking the course. Under the ever watchful care of the instructor, Mrs. Evans, the students put forth every effort to learn shorthand and typewriting. The Electric System of shorthand and the touch system of typewriting are used; and in these few short weeks the students are writing simple business letters in shorthand and from 20 to 30 words per minute on the typewriters. A Burroughs adding machine is also at their disposal and a regular course is being taught. A filing cabinet has been sent for, and plans for a dictaphone are under way. This department receives actual practice in dictation and letter writing. All of these make it one of the most interesting courses offered at the Flagstaff Normal School.

Burton Grim Married in Indiana

The wedding of Miss Martha Storer and Mr. Burton G. Grim occurred this afternoon at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Storer on East Lincoln avenue at 2:30 p. m. The wedding ceremony was performed by the Rev. E. A. VanNoy of the Presbyterian church in the presence of about fifty friends and relatives. The full ring service was used.

The bride and groom stood beneath a bower of red and green woodbine and white clematis. There were no attendants. The bride was gowned in white embroidered net and wore a corsage bouquet of bride's roses and lilies of the valley. The color scheme of pink and white was carried out in the floral decorations of asters and also in the refreshments. Many beautiful presents were received by the bride. The groom's present to the bride was a Mason and Hamlin Baby Grand Piano.

Mr. and Mrs. Grim left this afternoon for Ann Arbor, Mich., where Mr. Grim is an instructor in the University of Michigan.—Goshen, (Ind.) Times.

Burton spent the greater part of his youth in Flagstaff where he has many friends who will be pleased to learn of the happy event.

Big Dance at Williams

The ladies of the Williams Public Library Association, of which Mrs. W. F. Dermont is president and Mrs. Jas. Kennedy is treasurer, have recently erected and equipped a handsome library on the Association's lots in Williams, which is to be maintained without taxation. The Association is almost entirely out of debt, as only a few small bills remain unpaid, and the ladies are anxious that by the first of November these shall be paid. Through the generosity of the Williams lodge of Odd Fellows the Williams Opera House has been donated to the ladies for an old-fashioned dance to be given next Saturday night October 2nd, and by this means the ladies hope to liquidate the Association's entire indebtedness. The music will be furnished by the Barnes' orchestra of seven pieces, refreshments will be served, and the price of admission will be but fifty cents, ladies free.

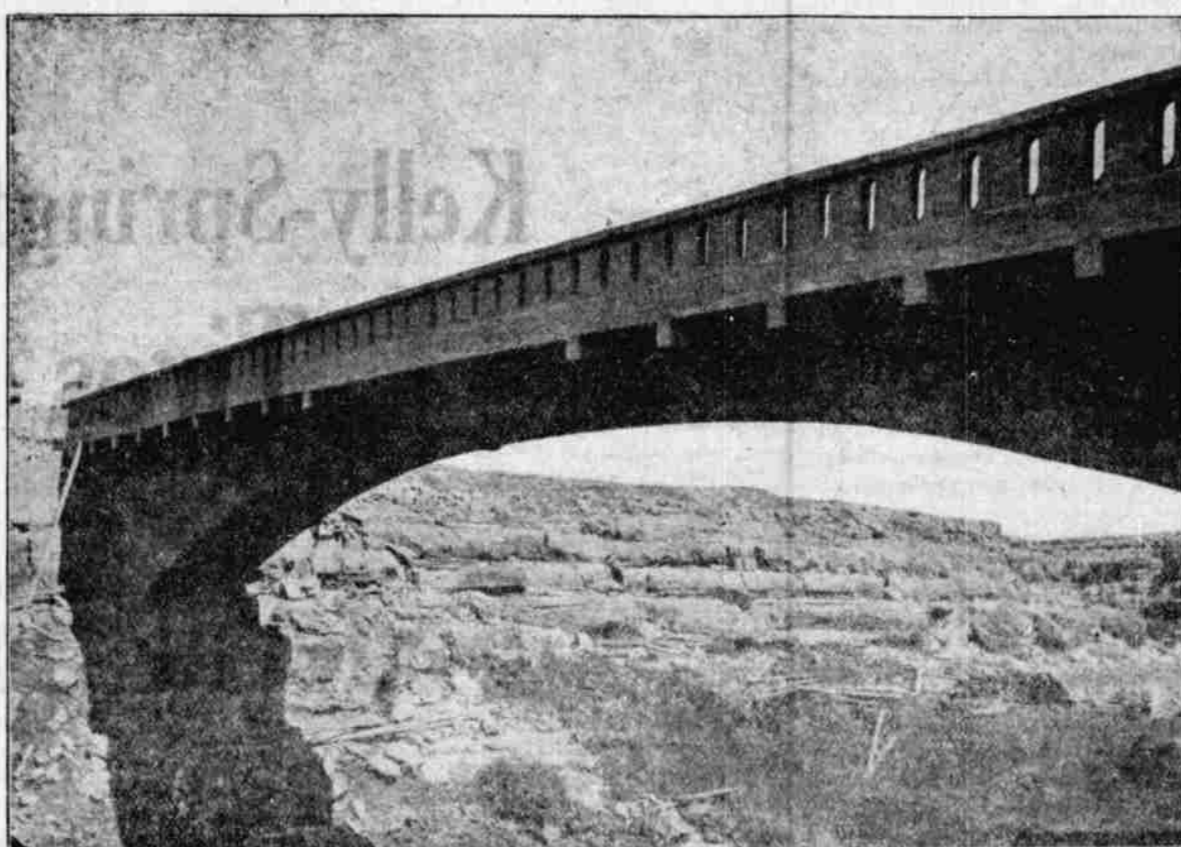
It is a beautiful drive over to Williams these moonlight nights, and several automobile parties from here expect to attend the dance.

Ranch House Destroyed by Fire

The ranch house on the George Black Jr. place in Mill Park was totally destroyed by fire last week, during the absence of the men employed there, including beds and bedding and other household goods.

W. H. Tucker and two other boys lost their beds in the blaze. They left the house in the morning after getting breakfast and when they returned at noon found it all ablaze with no possible way of saving any of the contents. The origin of the fire is a mystery.

CEMENT BRIDGE ACROSS CANYON DIABLO



The above is a picture of the cement bridge across Canyon Diablo, one of the hardest canyons in the country to bridge. The bridge is 38 miles east of Flagstaff in Coconino county on the state highway, which is a part of the Old Trails Ocean to Ocean route. The bridge was built under the direction of the state engineering department, by contract with Thomas Maddock of

Williams. Work was commenced in November 1914 and the bridge was opened to traffic in March 1915. The bridge is a reinforced concrete arch 128 feet in length of Luten type, which is the same design as a like structure built over Canyon Padre, at a total cost for bridge and approaches of \$13,303.70.

The details of cost are as follows:

Orig. contract for labor only	\$9,000.00
Extra work contract	403.85
Material furnished by state	2,592.69
Guard rail	74.66
State Inspector	728.09
Total construction	\$12,799.29
Engineering, survey plans, etc.	504.41
Total	\$13,303.70

GET YOUR BOX SEATS FOR STATE FAIR EARLY

Phoenix, Arizona, Sept. 30, 1915.—The month between October 1st and November 1st each year is reserved by Secretary Shaughnessy of the Arizona State Fair as the "box sale month" because, during that time, the box seats in the grand stand are sold. The whole month is allowed for this sale in order that those in the remote parts of the state may have an opportunity to reserve boxes for the accommodation of themselves and their friends during the gala week. The price for the boxes, which contain six seats, will be \$25.00, the same as the price last year. This \$25 rate is for the entire week. However, no boxes will be reserved unless the reservation order is accompanied by a certified check for \$25.

Although fifty additional boxes added to the grand stand last year, the demand was so great that these were all taken before the first of November. There is no doubt that the demand will be just as great this year, so prospective applicants are urged to send in their reservations and accompanying checks as soon as possible, so as not to be disappointed. On November 1st the drawing for the boxes will be held, according to the order in which the checks are received.

October first marks the end of the entry season for the big harness events to be held at the Arizona State Fair November 15th to 20th, inclusive. Among these events are those for the faster Arizona horse, the 2:25 trot and the 2:20 pace.

Interest in the harness events this year is exceptionally good owing to the fact that there have been a number of good stables in the west both from the Grand and the Great Western circuits. Phoenix is on both of these horse maps, and consequently great racing will be the card as the best of both will be on hand to get a bit out of the big purses.

Federated Church Meeting

The final big rally mass meeting for the consideration of church federation will occur at the Presbyterian church, Sunday afternoon at 3:00 o'clock. Every church man or woman in Flagstaff is earnestly requested to be present. Matters of most vital interest will be presented and discussed. It is hoped that a definite decision as to a course of action for the coming year will be reached.

R. H. H. BLOME,
 O. H. RICHARDSON,
 C. K. ALEXANDER,
 C. C. HARVEY,
 TOM REESE,
 MRS. H. E. CAMPBELL,
 MRS. FRED BREEN,
 MARTIN FRONSKA,
 H. G. EHLERS,
 C. D. THORPE.

SUPT. A. A. DUTTON RESIGNS AFTER NEARLY 30 YEARS

Mr. A. A. Dutton, superintendent for the Arizona Lumber & Timber Co., has resigned his position with that company after nearly thirty years continuous service in different capacities with them.

Mr. Dutton is one of the oldest employees of that company in point of service and one of the responsible men who never shirked a duty imposed upon him. It was learned that he had contemplated resigning for sometime, though his resignation came as a surprise to his many old friends of years standing. He was one of the pioneer residents of Flagstaff and was connected intimately with all the early history of the town from its infancy as a struggling logging town to the present time when it has commenced to put on civilized airs.

Mr. Dutton has not as yet definitely decided upon what he will do, but is certain that he will call Flagstaff home and retain a resident here.

EASTERN STARS HAVE INTERESTING SESSION

The local chapter of the Eastern Star held a very interesting meeting last Saturday evening in honor of Mrs. Katherine Burgoon, of Nogales, Grand worthy Matron of that organization. Preparations were made for an especial good time after the official work of the evening was concluded. A banquet followed with interesting talks by the Worthy Grand Matron and others.

A large party of Stars from Winslow attended the meeting, among them were Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Tarr, Mrs. Ed. Lamb, Mrs. Fred Douglas, Mrs. Jos. Hunter, Mrs. B. S. Gates and daughter Ila, W. A. Parr and wife, N. H. Sipe and wife, Mrs. R. C. Creswell. Mr. and Mrs. Parr came up in their auto, the rest of the party by train, returning on No. 22 late at night.

Now 247 Normal Students

Dr. R. H. H. Blome, president of the Normal school, reports that the school now has a total enrollment of 247 students, which is a healthy growth over last year. The new dormitories are badly needed and work on them under the supervision of E. T. McGonigle will be rushed as fast as possible this fall in order that the big school may keep on growing unhampered.

Made the State Rifle Team

Sgt. Ray Byers and Sgt. Oscar Clayton, members of Co. I, National Guard, made the state rifle team and will go to Camp Perry to attend the National rifle shoot this year. Adjutant General Harris says that Byers is the best shot that ever came from Company I.

THE SIX CARDINAL RULES FOR SPORTSMEN IN FORESTS

The Forest Service has issued a set of six rules for sportsmen within National forests, a set that are important to the welfare of both the hunter as well as the national forest:

1. Prevent Forest Fires. They destroy the hunting grounds and the game.
2. Take the Game Law with You. It may be obtained from any Forest Officer.
3. Make Sure It's a Buck. It may be a Doe, a Cow, or a Man. How would you feel?
4. Wet the Hand Before Removing Undersized Fish. It prevents breaking the mucous covering and the entrance of fatal molds.
5. Don't Shoot Harmless Wild Life. Only Sharp-shinned Hawks, Great Horned Owls, Prairie Dogs, Porcupines and "Varmints" do more harm than good.
6. Leave a Clean Camp and a Clean Record. You may want to come back.

PICK HANDLE WAR MAY CAUSE DEATH OF MEXICAN

Manuel Martinez walloped Roman Barjas over the head with a pick handle Wednesday afternoon, fracturing his skull so badly that there is serious doubts of his recovery. An operation was performed by Dr. Sult, who removed a large piece of crushed bone. The injured man has been unable to talk since receiving the blow. Martinez was arrested and locked up.

The men were working for Wm. Cox on a street job and an altercation came up over the merits of the Mexican war. Martinez has been in this country for sometime while Barjas is a recent arrival from Mexico.

Normal Boys Organize Cadet Company

Fifty-one of the boy students at the Normal have voluntarily organized a cadet company and have been drilling faithfully under the direction of Lieut. John Mathews of Co. I. Captain Robinson has given them all the encouragement possible and we believe the people generally should assist them in order that they may secure recognition from the state and a cadet company be permanently attached to the Normal as is done in other such schools in the state.

"Thomasville" May Get Postoffice

L. H. Thomas says that a summer postoffice has been promised or tentatively promised at least, for his section of Oak Creek. During the summer Oak Creek has a big population and it is rapidly growing every year. With the proposed new auto road into the Canyon it will assume the proportions of a young city in a short time.

NEW AND EASY AUTO ROAD PROPOSED TO OAK CREEK

Word has been received that the Forest Service has been having a survey made into Oak Creek Canyon by the way of the Pump House Canyon which leads into Oak Creek. The preliminary survey would indicate that a fine road with an easy grade could be built at a reasonable cost. The old road at the head of the canyon is still in good shape but is too much of a road for the average auto driver to tackle. Lou Thomas who engineered the first road into the canyon from the head of it, says the proposed route would be a great improvement over the old road and could be made on grades that would permit of all kinds of auto traffic without the least danger. An easy road of that kind would make Oak Creek the big popular summer resort of Northern Arizona that hundreds would visit, where a comparative few make the trip now.

We are not advised as to who discovered the new route and brought it to the attention of the forest officials, but it was looked upon with favor by them in connection with the plats of land surveyed off for leasing to persons who desire to built temporary summer homes in the canyon.

Booze Business Picking Up

Undersheriff Tom Eakin and Deputy Sheriff Chas. Murray were in Williams Monday locating a shipment of booze to some person unknown. An expressman got in bad by taking the shipment to his house, where it was seized by the officers and the expressman placed under arrest. There were fifty pint bottles in the shipment.

County Attorney C. B. Wilson has a couple cases of whiskey in his private vault, which is being held for some one to claim. It was shipped in by freight and when it arrived here one of the cases was leaking badly. Strange as it may seem, no one has called for the goods as yet.

A Lucky Shooting Affray

A small war broke out at the pool hall on the south side Sunday night at about 10 o'clock, which, though intentions were good, did not result in any fatalities after two or three shots each were fired by the combatants. Joe Tafuya was attacked by Valentin Gomez, who it is understood is a bad humbre and a former member of Villa's congregation in Mexico. Gomez endeavored to slaughter Tafuya with a 32 pistol, when he retaliated in a like manner, but luckily both missed.

Tafuya is well known and has always borne an excellent reputation and his participation in the affair was forced upon him in a trivial manner by the stranger who really gathered up more fight than he contemplated. Both were fined \$20 for carrying concealed weapons.

Uncle George Roskrige Visits Flag

Uncle George Roskrige, grand secretary of the Masonic bodies of the state was in Flagstaff Tuesday, accompanied by Mr. Watkins. A class of three took the Scottish rite work during the day, adding to the large number of 32 degree Masons in Flagstaff.

Uncle George died a good many years ago and went to Tucson from Northern Arizona, where he has been ever since. During his stay here he explained that he had gained three gains, apothecary, since being up this way before, which accounted for his being so fat. Owing to the numerous game laws, state and federal, also the prohibition amendment, he was playing safe this year and had corralled a big grass-hopper that he was fattening for a Thanksgiving feast, which he was willing to share with his friends if they were bound to have something with a "kick" in it. Uncle George is one of the last few remaining old pioneers of Arizona and is in good truth one of nature's noblemen.

Arizona Regiment Efficient

Captain E. M. Robison has been advised by Captain Stacey, regular army instructor on duty with the Arizona National Guard, that the report on the efficiency of the Guard this year was the best one ever received in their entire history. The European war has convinced the people of the United States pretty generally that sometimes war comes when not invited and that it is far more apt to come that way when we are not prepared for it. If war did come now, the United States would be the laughing stock of the whole world for about a year—after that there would be a marked change in results, but it would cost many lives unnecessarily as well as a few billion extra just for our absolute neglect.

ATHLETIC CLUB STARTS WITH GOOD MEMBERSHIP

The Flagstaff Athletic Club has formerly opened for business with a competent instructor in charge and promises to be a popular place during the winter for a large class of athletes who wish to do stunts in physical culture. The gymnasium is equipped with all the necessary apparatus to produce results and there is a live bunch putting on brawn and science nearly every night. The club rooms are kept bright and cheerful and the reception room is well supplied with reading material for those who desire a quiet corner.

The dues are \$2 per month for men and \$1.00 per month for boys who desire to join. Membership cards have been sent to those whose applications have been sent in, and it is suggested that if new members wish to join, that they make remittances for three months to help facilitate the work of the secretary. The Club up to Sept. 27 had enrolled the following members: Vaudrey Dickinson, Edward Dickinson, Jos. Babbitt, Lou Charlebois, N. C. Tock, C. C. Lagan, T. E. Pollock, Jos. Rickel, William Babbitt, H. E. Campbell, L. F. Verkamp, Paul Keller, Edgar Hart, Frank Campbell, Edmund Black, Walter LeBaron, Teddy LeBaron, with many more who have signified their intention of joining for physical profit and pleasure during the winter months.

Such a club should be successful and one that will be of great benefit to both old and young alike.

FIRST NORMAL DANCE MOST ENJOYABLE AFFAIR

The formal dance given by the Flagstaff Normal School on Friday, September 24th, was a decided success. Even climatic conditions contributed to the enjoyment of the affair. Late in the evening it showered slightly making the atmosphere invigorating and refreshing; so the dancers were inclined to put forth more effort than usual in the fantastic steps.

The hall was gorgeously decorated with streamers of white and gold, sofa pillows, pennants, and flowering plants. In the center of the hall, suspended from the ceiling, was a large electric "Welcome" all in white and gold. From it were strung to every portion of the hall streamers of the same colors; and beneath it hung a large basket of flowers. Rugs were plentiful in the vestibule; there were large soft cushions for deep chairs; and pennants in abundance covered the walls.

The grand march began at 8:30, being led by Prof. Rosenberry and wife, in which they guided fifty smiling couples through many pretty and graceful figures. Programs were then distributed and every one became busy with his pencil.

Many new steps were executed in excellent style, one of the prettiest being the Lulu Fado. Hesitations, Fox-trots and a Paul Jones were the most popular of the numbers, excepting one—good old "Home Sweet Home" which was played after something like twenty dances.

All expressed themselves as having a most delightful evening; praises were given that delicious orange punch; and all vowed that Costigan's Orchestra cannot be equalled for its lively strains of music.

Cottonwoods Best Shade Trees

As for shade trees for planting in Arizona and New Mexico, it is asserted that there is none better than the much abused cottonwood. Of course care must be exercised not to get the female cotton-bearing individuals. These can be easily avoided by propagating from cuttings of male trees, that is trees that are known not to bear cotton. These cuttings, made early in spring and started by thrusting the lower end into damp ground, grow easily, and being taken from male trees absolutely will not develop the "cotton habit."

General News Notes of Interest

The "Katy" railroad has gone into the hands of a receiver.

Nearly 5000 garment workers in Chicago have gone on a strike and more will follow. It is estimated that between 20,000 and 25,000 will also strike.

Robert Mitchell, editor of the Walsenburg (Col.) Independent and chairman of the democratic county central committee, was killed in cold blood Sunday.

Ambassador Dumba has been formally recalled by Austria on the request of the United States, for his pernicious activity against firms manufacturing munitions of war for the allies.